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842.000 Scope of part.

This part applies to all contracts, whether sealed bid or negotiated. (See 801.602–70 for requirements for legal review of certain contract administration actions.)

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842.070 Definition.

Contract Administration is the coordination of actions required for the performance of a contract including the guidance and supervision necessary to assure that all contractual obligations are fulfilled.

Subpart 842.1—Interagency Contract Administration and Audit Services

842.101 Policy.

(a) Pursuant to FAR policy encouraging interagency cross-servicing in field contract support services, contracting officers of the Department of Veterans Affairs will utilize the support services of other agencies to the extent feasible. Examples of such services are: preaward surveys; quality assurance and technical inspection of contract items; and review of contractors' procurement systems. Requirements for support services available from any other Government department or agency will be obtained on the basis of an approved negotiated interagency support agreement.

(b) An interagency support agreement is a written instrument of understanding executed between the parties to the agreement. The agreement should state clearly the accord which has been reached between the two parties involved, especially the obligations assumed by the rights granted each. The agreement will be specific with respect to resources to be provided by both the supplying and receiving activities. It will also provide for funding and reimbursement arrangements, and clauses permitting revisions, modifications thereto, or cancellation thereof, will be included.

842.102 Procedures.

(a) The Department of Defense Directory of Contract Administration Services Components and the Directory of Federal Contract Audit Offices are available through the Department of Veterans Affairs Forms and Publications Depot.

(b) Proposed interagency support agreements with any other Government department or agency involving the expenditures of Department of Veterans Affairs funds of \$5,000 or more will be forwarded by the facility director (or Central Office official) to the Deputy Assistant Secretary for Acquisition and Materiel Management (93),